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Gerontology Program Surveys Needs Of Older Adults

The Central Virginia Health Planning Council, with the help of many local agencies, clubs and individuals, is trying to learn first-hand what the major problems are that confront older adults in their efforts to lead a rewarding, dignified life. A random sampling of persons 60 years and older who reside in Central Virginia are being asked to participate in a survey designed to determine their basic needs, concerns, and general characteristics. Specific areas covered in the survey include transportation, housing, nutrition, health, community involvement, employment and income.

The statistical data acquired from the survey will be used in the preparation of a regional gerontology plan. Under the direction of Janie W. Dowdy, gerontology planner for the Central Virginia Health Planning Council, the Plan is being developed to provide a coordinated, comprehensive system for the delivery of services to older adults. The goal of these services will be to secure and maintain maximum independence and dignity for older persons in a home environment for as long as possible. For instance, a day care center for elderly could permit an older woman to live with her own working children who can care for her other than during working hours rather than having her placed in a home for aged. Or a volunteer program for older adults could save the alert interested mind of an elderly gentlemen by having him volunteer his time several days a week to work in a school library rather than sit idly in a small apartment.

The surveys are being distributed by churches, community organizations, and public agencies. The completed surveys are to be returned by March 1.

Any older adult living in Amherst, Appomattox, Bedford or Campbell County, Bedford City or Lynchburg who is interested in participating in the survey should contact Mrs. Dowdy at the Central Virginia Health Planning Council or their local VPI Extension Office.

Seminar on Aging

BLACKSBURG- A "Seminar on Aging" sponsored by Virginia Tech's Extension Division, will be held Thurs.-Fri., March 14-15, at Donaldson Brown Center for Continuing Education on campus.

Arthur S. Flemming, U.S. Commissioner of the Administration on Aging in Washington, D.C., will speak on "Future Trends in Aging."

The seminar's theme is "Perspectives of Aging." Workshops will discuss the physiological aspects of aging, socio psychological aspects of aging, and the elderly as consumers.

Program speakers include Mrs. Mary M. Adams, chief of the Office on Aging, Division of State Planning and Community Affairs in Richmond; James E. Montgomery, Va. Tech professor of managment, housing and family development in the College of Home Economics; Dr. Eric Pfeiffer, professor of psychiatry and project director of the Older Americans Resources and Services Program at Duke University's Center on Aging in Durham, N.C; Also John A. Price, Jr., regional program director on aging for Region III Health, Education, and Welfare office in Philadelphia, who is chairman of the Federal Regional Council Task Force on Older Americans; S. J. Ritchey, associate dean of Virginia Tech's College of Home Economics; and A. Coskun Samli, Virginia Tech professor of business administration.

Pre-registration forms are available at Virginia Tech Extension offices. Forms must be completed and returned to the Donaldson Brown Center for Continuing Education by March 1.

Va. BCIA Performance Tested Bulls To Sell Sat., March 2

The Virginia Beef Cattle Improvement Association Performance Tested Bull sale will be held Sat., Mar. 2, 1974, at 12:30 p.m. at the Red House Bull Evaluation Center, Red House, Virginia. The Virginia Beef Cattle Improvement Association has successfully operated central bull testing programs for 16 years as a service to its members and the beef cattle industry. The two basic objectives are: (1) to test the top end of the bulls calf crop under standard conditions for the purebred breeder's benefit, and (2) to offer for sale the top end of the tested bulls for the improvement of other herds.

This is the second year of operation at the Red House Evaluation Center which is operated by James Bennett and is under the supervision of Dr. A. L. Eller, Jr., Beef Cattle Specialist, Virginia Tech Extension Service. The 66 Angus, Polled Hereford, Simmental and Charolais bulls to be sold March 2 have been tested in a very practical manner being fed a corn silage - base ration. They represent some of the top herd bull prospects produced in the state of Virginia.

The bulls will have complete performance records including sonary fat thickness and frame size measures. Only those surpassing rigid standards will sell. This is an excellent opportunity for both registered and commercial breeders to obtain bulls for herd improvement and profit.

For further information contact Dr. A. L. Eller, Jr., Beef Cattle Specialist, Agness Hall, VOPI & SU, Blacksburg, Va. 24061.

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Bring an unsaved friend and pray for him during the service.
Bring a willingness to accept places of responsibility where you can serve when asked.

Copied
The Rev. Henry E. Riley, Jr.
Pastor, Memorial U. M. Church

MRS. KNIGHT'S 4-H CLUB

The president called the meeting to order, and then we said the pledges. The recleaders lead us in some drawing, then we sang row row Row Your Boat in three parts. the people that gave talks received a certificate. The following people received the rewards: Angie Richardson, Tammy Womack, Kim Hipps, Barbara Watson, Debbie Roach, Shelby Smith, and Steve Cobb. Mr. Sweet told us about the Fun with Art which will be held in the last week of March, and about demonstrations and illustrated talks which will be held in April. Then Mrs. Walton gave a demonstration. Then the president closed the meeting.

Angie Richardson, Reporter

The Sunday School Lesson

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Comment on the International Sunday School lesson for Sunday, February 24, 1974.
Topic: The Resurrection Victory
Scripture: John 20-21.
"Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe." John 20:29.

Because resurrection is beyond the range of experience known to human knowledge, those who believe that it does take place regard it as a miracle, something which has no explanation in natural law and is therefore considered supernatural. Others, unable to find explanation in natural law or human experience, do not accept it.

That resurrection lies beyond the scope of experience does not mean that it is not a natural experience and is not to be explained by laws of nature, although human knowledge does not yet know them. One has only to consider the complex experiences of birth and life to realize that they are indeed marvelous and, were they not well known to human experience, would be considered miraculous, as marvelous and miraculous as resurrection now is.

Birth and life, the structure of matter and the orderly movement of stars and planets belong to what Dr. W. G. Pollard, executive director of the Oak Ridge Associated Universities, so charmingly terms "the mystery of reality." When we delve into what is involved, there is mystery to the most commonplace things. Because they are familiar, they do not seem mysterious.

The Scriptures reveal that resurrection is a human experience, too, although it takes place beyond the time when experience contributes to human knowledge. In the Old Testament the Pharisees found the concept of resurrection and made it one of the cardinal tenets of their theology.

"He thinks he was not made to die," Tennyson phrases (in In Memoriam, A.H.H.) the widespread belief of the human individual in human immortality. How that immortality comes about, given the reality of human death, challenges human imagination. The brilian thought of ancient Greece resolved the question of immortality in the concept of the soul being immortal and imperishable, the body mortal and perishable. Jewish, thought, under the influence of divine revelation, interpreted immortality in terms of resurrection in which after death the perishable, physical body was resurrected, or raised to new life, in an incorruptible, spiritual body.

Each of the Gospels declares the resurrection of Jesus Christ, and the other writings of the New Testament show plainly that the resurrection was the key and basic doctrine of the early Christian Church. Alone among the New Testament authors, Paul attempts (1 Corinthians 15) to explain how resurrection takes place, and the closest analogy he finds in nature is the sowing of seed in the earth and its sprouting into a new plant. This explanation does not fully satisfy, though the death of the seed once it sprouts and from that death the growth of the plant do give some idea of what takes place in resurrection.

Resurrection is not limited to the experience of Jesus Christ. His resurrection becomes this is a prominent feature of Paul's "Gospel"--the earnest, that is, the token of something to come, of the believers resurrection. As Christ was raised from the dead, so shall they be who belong to Christ.

The writers of the Gospel not only record the resurrection of Jesus, but they also offer evidence, in accounts of His post-resurrection appearance, that He had risen from the dead. They give some idea of the nature of the resurrection body, indicating that sometimes it is recognizable, sometimes not. In his discourse on resurrection, Paul wrote that many who had seen the risen Jesus were still alive, indicating that they could give testimony to confirm his statements.

As it was with Jesus, so resurrection is with the believer, the great and ultimate victory of life. Through it the individual overcomes all his foes and obstacles, even death, to attain life which has no ending.

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January 22nd, at 7:30 p.m. to render a church.

Men's Day at Zion Baptist Church

The general public is cordially invited to attend the annual Men's Day program of the Pamplin Community Men's Choir last Sunday morning. The Rev. James Franklin has announced a very helpful and informative program has been planned. The Rev. James E. McLaughin, pastor of the St. Luke Baptist Church will deliver the annual message. Several local musical groups will appear on the program.

The Appomattox Voters league will hold its monthly meeting this Monday evening, February 25 at 7:30 p.m. at the Galilee Baptist Church. The president, Mr. Ronald Franklin is asking all officers, members and friends to attend.

The anniversary program of the Mount Shiloh Baptist Church Junior choir was held last Sunday evening at 3 p.m. The following local Junior choirs took an active part: Springfield, Peaceful Grove, Mount Obed, Mount Airy, Jordan and Mount Zion were represented with donations. The local Gospel Four ofAppomattox rendered several selections which added much to the program. Miss Gail Tanner served as mistress of ceremony. Remarks were given by the director, Mrs. C. S. Turner and the pastor. The offering was very good.

The general public is cordially invited to attend the regular evening service at the Mount Shiloh Baptist Church this Sunday evening at 7 p.m. The local Junior Choir will render music.

Impressive services were held at the Galilee Baptist Church last Sunday morning. The pastor delivered a very helpful sermon. Beautiful music was rendered by the senior choir. Several visitors attended the service.

All officers and members are cordially invited to attend the regular preaching service at the Promise Land Baptist Church this Sunday morning at 11 a.m.

The public is reminded of the anniversary celebration of the Galilee Usher Board on the first Sunday in March at 3 p.m. The Rev. C. L. Elliott and one his choirs will be the guest.

The Appomattox Assembly is inviting the community out next Tuesday evening to an Informative and Informational program at the Intermediate School at 7:30 p.m. The Rev. E. G. Williams, president of the Halifax County Assembly will be the guest speaker; Music will be rendered by the Jordan Harmonnetts and the Gospel Four of Appomattox. Door prizes will be given to the local church with the largest number of members present.

Mrs. Ann Forest Thomas of Washington, D. C. and her two sons were recent visitors as the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Forest, Sr. of Appomattox, Virginia.

Mrs. Ella Walker, age 92 of the Concord Community died last Monday evening in the Nursing home in Lynchburg, Virginia. She was a member of the Pilot Mount Baptist Church of Concord, Virginia.

Mrs. Leatha Moss is on the sick list. We hope for her a speedy recovery.

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National FFA Week is scheduled in February to honor George Washington, who was an outstanding farmer as well as a great leader.

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...e Young Men and Men's ...r presented special music. ...Rev. G. E. Hughes is ...or of the church.

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...Spring Baptist Church ...bserved Focus Week ...100th anniversary of ...work in Virginia. On ...13, 1974. They had a ...lish supper which was ...by a nice group of ...d their families. They ...splay work from most ...organizations dating back ...e of years.

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...Tuesday, Feb. 26 at 7:00 ...rs. J. J. Bowman will ...the book, **Evangelism, ...ting Edge.** The class ...held in the Fellowship ...Liberty Baptist Church. ...s in the Association are ...invited to attend.

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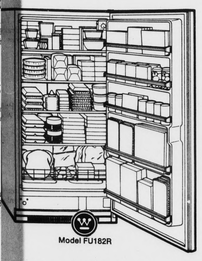
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